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******** BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS.

What the State Commissioner Is Doing to Better Working Conditions,

********* The bureau of labor statistics and inspector of factories and workshops was established by an act of the legislature of 1903. A board, consisting of state treasurer, delegated by the legis-Through Pullman standard and lature to choose a commissioner, on

present incumbent,

The bureau is for the purpose of gathering and compiling labor and industrial statistics and to better the condition of the laboring people in mills, factories, etc., looking to the safeguarding of dangerous machinery thereby lessening the accidents to employes and damage suits to employers. During the last year Mr. Hoff has visited 600 plants of the different kinds, making suggestions for improvements that in most cases have been acted upon. Courteous treatment and a disposition to follow the advice given by the Commissioner has been manifested by the employers everywhere. The coming year will be devoted mostly to gathering and compiling statistics for the next blennial report of the bureau to the legislature,

Before entering on his duties as commissioner of labor Mr. Hoff was for many years employed by the Southern Pacific Railway Company as freight clerk and agent. Prior to that he worked at various occupations, principally on farms, in the timber and in

Whittier's Boyhood Home.

In the description of Whittier's house in the sumptuous "Country Homes of Pamous Americans," Oliver Bronson Capen relates a most interesting incident of how Mr. Ordway, a Haverbill shoe manufacturer, photographed the old Whittier kitchen before the birthplace had been purchased as a memorial to the peoet. Mr. Capen saysa, 'At that time the touants on the un kempt farm used the mother's little bedroom as a potato bin, and the front room, in which the poet was born, as a stateroom. Across the center of the kitchen a partition has been bufft, dividing it into two rooms. To photograph the kitchen as it was in Whittier's boyhood, it was necessary to take back to it the old furniture and to remove the unsightly partition. Mr. Ordway carted the furniture to the farmhouse all the way from Amesbury, eight miles distant. The armchair that Whittier and his father and grand father had used was found in the woodshed. The simple, round, bandy-legged kitchen table was taken from the attic. The poet told him minutely where everything belonged,"

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The idea comes from Germany and is really an adaptation of the principle upon which the gramophone is based. Briefly it is this; Secreted somewhere in the doll's laterior will be a tiny disk machine, which will carry a record about two inches in diameter. When the doll has been made presentable and feels equal to taking part in the conversation her little nurse will simply have to place a disk in a crevice somewhere in dolly's back, an operation as simple as putting a penny in a slot. and the doll will do the rest. Two dolls, with suitable records, may easily be made to carry on quite intelligent conversations .- London Daily News.

Some Christmas Thoughts.

Lift up your eyes to the great meaning of the day and dare to think of your humanity as something so divinely precious that it is worthy of being made an offering to God. Count it as a privilege to make that offering as complete as possible, keeping nothing back, and then go out to the pleasures and duties of your life, having been truly born anew into his divinity as he was born into our humanity on Christmas day.-Phillips Brooks.

May the spirit of the sweet Christmas Child possess me; may the Star of Bethlebem shine above my dwelling place.-Thomas a Kempis.

The season of regenerated feelingthe season for kindling not merely the fire of hospitality in the hall, but the genial flames of charity in the heart .-Washington Irving.

We make a great deal of peace with heaven; Christ made much of peace on earth.-Henry Drummond.

It is good to be children sometimes, and never better than at Christmas, when its mighty Founder was a child himself.-Charles Dickens.

Christmas Fires.

If one would revive a memory of the old Yule fire, a backing of hard wood, the largest to be had, should be chosen The hearth should be clean and cold before Christmas even and the log set In place with the cedar or pine or other "light wood" kindlings at hand, As the sun goes down fire is applied and the big log set ablaze. In the days of the Druids, whence Yule log is derived, the priests lighted the annual log with an ember from the sacred perpetual fire they guarded. In the mountain regions of the south the hearth fire is kept with an almost equal fidelity. scarcely ever being permitted to die out from October to March, and in the cabins of the negroes it is no uncommon sight upon a Christmas night to see within the fireplace itself, their heads up the chimney, pickaninnies of various sizes busied in warming their toes, their bare feet resting on logs of cedar or blekory or oak and their black eyes rolling with anticipations of coming good things.-Harper's Bazar.

The First Christmas Observance. Christmas gets its name from the mass celebrated in the early days of the Christian church in honor of the birth of Christ, its first solemnization having been ordered by Pope Telesphorus. This was in or before the year 138, for in that year Pope Telesphorus died. At first Christmas was what is known as a movable feast, just as Easter is now, and, owing to misunderstandings, was celebrated as late as April or May. In the fourth century an ecclosiastical investigation was ordered, and, upon the authority of the tables of the censors in the Roman archives, Dec. 25 was agreed upon as the date of the Saviour's Nativity. Tradition fixed the hour of birth at about midnight, and this led to the celebration of a midnight mass in all the churches, a second at dawn and a third in the later morning.

Where the Toys Come From. The value of German toys exported to foreign countries last year was close to \$13,700,000, of which the United States, as the principal customer, took about \$4,000,000 worth. Sonneberg is the chief center of the industry. The annual report of the chamber of commerce of the Sonneberg district gives the following scale of daily wages paid to persons working on dolls and doll heads, the hours of inbor being ten to ten and one-half: Male adults. 54 to 60 cents; female adults, 36 to 48 cents; male youths, 36 to 48 cents; girls, 24 to 37 cents. Most of the hands are paid by the piece, the men earning from \$3.60 to \$6, the women from \$1.92 to \$3.60 and the youths from \$1.10 to \$2.40 per week. On piecework some skilled males earn as high as \$7.20 and expert women up to \$4.32 per week.

Not a Bad Idea. Johnny-Tommy, let's put our pennies together and buy ma a nice Christmas present.

Tommy-All right. "What shall it be?" "I guess we had better get her a padded slipper."-Texas Siftings.

An Aucient Submittute For Turkey. A roast sucking pig was formerly a favorite royal dish on Christmas day, says an English magazine. George IV., was particularly fond of the head of we

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